

**REMARKS**

In reply to the objection to the specification in item no. 3 at the middle of page 2 of the Office Action, the specification was amended to update the status of the parent application, which is now USP 6,713,472.

The amendments to claim 11 are supported in the paragraph bridging pages 204 to 205 of the specification.

New claims 15 and 16 are supported in the specification on pages 12 to 15.

Applicants are pleased to note that the Office Action did not include any prior art rejections.

Claims 1 to 14 were objected to under 35 USC 112, second paragraph for the reasons set forth in item no. 4 on pages 2 to 5 of the Office Action.

Claims 1, 5 and 11 were amended, and claims 3 and 4 were canceled to delete the definitions of "R<sup>6</sup>", "n" and "A<sub>2</sub>."

Claim 11 was amended by following the Examiner's suggestion.

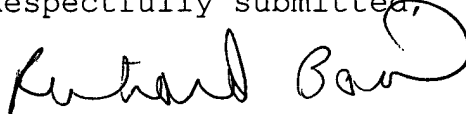
In view of the above, withdrawal of the 35 USC 112, second paragraph rejection is respectfully requested.

Reconsideration is requested. Allowance is solicited.

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Reply to Office Action dated January 4, 2005

If the Examiner has any comments, questions, objections or recommendations, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the telephone number given below for prompt action.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Richard Barth", with a large, stylized loop at the end.

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